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SUBJECT: IAEA BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING, SEPTEMBER 29

1. SUMMARY. NEW BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR 1975-6
CONVENED AFTERNOON OF 9/29 AND ELECTED ITS
OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR. IN DEPARTURE FROM
NORMALLY ROUTINE ORGANIZATIONAL NATURE OF THIS
FIRST MEETING OF NEW BOARD, GOVERNORS HEARD
SCATHING ATTACK ON SOUTH AFRICA AND INQUIRY
FROM ONE GOVERNOR REGARDING NON MEMBERSHIP OF
PRC IN AGENCY. END SUMMARY.

1. LENGTH OF THE MEETING WAS UNUSUALLY LONG AS
RESULT OF MANY STATEMENTS OF TRIBUTE TO DEPARTING
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RES REPS OF USSR (ARKADIEV) AND FRG

(UNGERER) WHICH DELAYED CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA FOR NEARLY 90 MINUTES. DG TOOK OCCASION OF FAREWELL TRIBUTES TO NOTE THAT REPLACEMENTS NOT YET IN SIGHT FOR RES REPS OF THREE COUNTRIES (INCLUDING U.S.) WHICH ACCOUNTED FOR 49 PER CENT OF AGENCY'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND EXPRESSED HOPE SITUATION WOULD BE SOON REMEDIED.

3. BOARD THEN PROCEEDED TO ELECT, BY SECRET BALLOT, ITS CHAIRMAN AND TWO VICE CHAIRMEN. ELECTION, WHICH HAD BEEN PRECEDED BY USUAL CONSULTATIONS AMONG MEMBERS, GAVE CHAIRMANSHIP TO ARGENTINE GOVERNOR IRAOLAGOITIA AND TWO VICE CHAIRMANSIPS TO NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR BOT AND NEWLY-APPOINTED GOVERNOR FROM YUGOSLAVIA MILAN OSTREDKAR.

4. DEPARTURE FROM USUAL ROUTINE OCCURRED DURING AGENDA ITEM ON VERIFICATION OF GOVERNORS' CREDENTIALS. FOLLOWING CUSTOMARY STATEMENT FROM DG TO EFFECT THAT HE HAD RECEIVED SATISFACTORY ASSURANCES THAT VALID CREDENTIALS WOULD SHORTLY BE SUBMITTED ON HANDFUL OF GOVERNORS WHOSE CREDENTIALS WERE STILL OUTSTANDING, ZAIRIAN FIRST SECRETARY BUSSY, MOVING TO CHAIR USUALLY OCCUPIED BY ZAIRE GOVERNOR MALU, TOOK FLOOR TO ATTACK CREDENTIALS OF SOUTH AFRICA AS DOCUMENTS OF ILLEGAL, RACIST REGIME AND TO CRITICIZE PREVIOUSBOARD SHARPLY FOR DESIGNATING SAG AS BOARD MEMBER FOR 1975-6, A DESIGNATION WHICH, HE NOTED WOULD HAVE TO BE RE-EXAMINED NEXT JUNE. THERE WERE NO OTHER SPEAKERS ON THIS SUBJECT AND SOMEWHAT DISCOMFITED BOARD, UNACCUSTOMED TO SUCH DIATRIBES, MOVED ON TO NEXT AGENDA ITEM. COMMENT: STATEMENT CAME AS SEQUEL TO DECLARATION ALONG SAME LINES BY 23 MEMBER STATES CIRCULATED TO ALL DELS BY PRES AT THEIR REQUEST NEAR CLOSE OF GC SESSION (GC (XIX)/INF/158 AND MOD.1.).
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5. NEXT SURPRISE CAME DURING CONSIDERATION OF ROUTINE ITEM CONCERNING COMPOSITION OF TWO BOARD COMMITTEES, AT WHICH DG INVITED ALL GOVERNORS WHO WISHED TO PARTICIPATE IN COMMITTEES TO NOTIFY HIM IN ADVANCE. ZAIRE GOVERNOR MALU (BACK IN HIS CHAIR) TOOK FLOOR TO NOTE THAT PRC WAS NOT ON BOARD NOR EVEN A MEMBER OF AGENCY. IT WAS HIS UNDER-

STANDING THAT PRC HAD REFUSED TO JOIN AGENCY AND, HE IMPLIED, TO TAKE ITS PLACE ON BOARD, BECAUSE AGENCY STILL MAINTAINED RELATIONSHIPS WITH TAIWAN. HE REQUESTED EXPLANATION OF THOSE RELATIONSHIPS. DG REPLIED BRIEFLY THAT AGENCY'S RELATIONSHIPS WITH TAIWAN WERE ONLY THOSE RELATED TO IMPLEMENTATION OF SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENTS. THERE WAS NO FURTHER BOARD DISCUSSION ON THIS ITEM.

6. FOLLOWING ADJOURNMENT OF BOARD, U.S. GOVERNOR ASKED MALU WHAT HAD LED HIM TO RAISE QUESTION. MALU REPLIED THAT HE HAD RECENTLY BEEN IN PEKING WHERE, IN CONVERSATION WITH REP OF ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, HE HAD INQUIRED RE REASONS FOR PRC NOT BEING MEMBER OF AGENCY AND HAD BEEN GIVEN STANDARD PRC STATEMENT WITHOUT ELABORATION, I.E., PRC WILL NOT JOIN AS LONG AS AGENCY HAS RELATION WITH TAIWAN. FROM WHAT MALU SAID, IT SEEMS LIKELY TO US THAT HIS QUESTION AT BOARD WAS INNOCENT QUERY AS TO EXTENT OF RELATIONSHIP RATHER THAN RESULT OF PROMPTING BY PRC. TAPE

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